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17 and 18 September - SARL VHF/UHF Contest

23 September - Take your handheld to work/school

24 September - Radio Technology in Action, Johannesburg and Heritage Day Sprint

25 September - Intecnet featuring Logbook of the World

28 September - SARL 80 m Club Contest, digital

(Find the contest rules in the 2011 SARL Contest Manual)

A Large Ooooops

Too many late nights spent at the salt mine involved in training causes one to save the document as HF Happenings 470, but to forget to change the number on the first page!!

I hope that I number this issue correctly!

SARL and ICASA Liaison Meeting

A SARL delegation met with ICASA Spectrum Management staff on Thursday and discussed various regulatory issues. Representing the SARL were Colin de Villiers, ZS6COL, Francois Botha, ZS6BUU, and Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV.

ICASA shared some of their proposed corrections to the regulations with the SARL including the correction in the class B age issue and the table of amateur frequencies. The question of receivers with continuous tuning was discussed at length and agreement was reached that ICASA will relook at the specific regulation. Various proposals were put on the table. The SARL will engage ICASA again this week in an effort to finalise the matter. The SARL also requested that it be minuted that ICASA will not enforce the current rule and will not take any action against radio amateurs until the matter has been resolved. ICASA agreed.





It was agreed that the SARL would host a two-day workshop for Spectrum Management Staff and members of various other departments of ICASA. The objective is to develop a better understanding about amateur radio and its contribution to engineering and technology in South Africa. During the workshop, the concept of an advanced licence with additional privileges will be discussed and a way forward developed. Mid to end February is indicated as a possible time frame of when the workshop will be held.

The question of licensing between the SADC countries was discussed. A discussion document for tabling at the next meeting of CRASA, the Communications Regulators Association of Southern Africa, will be prepared by ICASA. The SARL suggested that as an interim measure ICASA should allow visitors from SADC countries who are licensed in their country to operate in South Africa.

The question of a new allocation in the 5 MHz band was discussed and ICASA agreed to formulate a Government Gazette to invite public comment on the proposal.

The WRC12 agenda item 1.23 seeking allocations around 500 kHz were discussed. As Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, is the SARL representative on the DOC WRC12 Industry committee and rapporteur for agenda item 1.23, he will update the South African position on as agreed at a recent DOC/Industry meeting and share it with ICASA for consideration to achieve an interim ad hoc South African allocation.

Colin de Villiers discussed the correction of the ICASA database. A progress report will be shared with the SARL during October.

Discussions took place regarding changes to the financial systems to ensure more accurate accounting of licence payments. The next meeting will be held on 8 December.

Annual Jamboree-On-The-Air

15 and 16 October 2011

Dave Gemmell, ZS6AAW, the SA National JOTA coordinator invites all interested radio amateurs and Clubs to help with this year's Jamboree-on-the-Air, to be held on 15 and 16 October 2011. Do not wait for the young people to ask you!

Any amateur may make contact with JOTA/JOTI stations, but it will be better if Girl Guides and/or Scouts are also invited to the station but the best will be if a station is erected at a Guide or

September

- 1 to 7 – National Arbour Week
- 2 – Casual Day www.casualday.co.za
- 2 to 4 – The Williston Festival
- 3 - ZS6JVT Spring 40 Metre Youth Contest**
- 3 / 4 - All Asian DX Phone Contest
- 4 - DARC 10-Metre Digital Contest
- 7 – Secretaries Day
- 9 to 11 – Mossel Bay to Plettenberg Bay MTB Race www.honeytrail.co.za
- 10 / 11 - WAE DX SSB Contest
- 16 - World Ozone Day
- 16 / 17 – Karoo Desire Festival, Graaff-Reinet www.graaff-reinet.co.za
- 17 - Programming in Windows, Advanced Home Construction Durban**
- 17 / 18 - SARL VHF/UHF Contest; Scandinavian Activity CW Contest**
- 23 to 26 – The Fugard Festival, Nieu-Bethesda www.fugardfestival.co.za
- 24 – Heritage Day and National Braai Day www.braai.com; **RTA, Johannesburg; SARL Heritage Day Sprint; SA Armour Museum Open Day**
- 24 / 25 - CQ WW DX RTTY Contest
- 27 - World Tourism Day
- 28 - SARL 80 m Club Contest, digital**
- 30 – Schools close

October

- 6 - SARL 80 m QSO Party**
- 7 / 8 – The Fun of the Fish, Cradock www.fishmarathon.org.za; Hobson's Choice, Somerset East www.anglerandantelope.co.za
- 10 – Schools open
- 14 / 15 - CQ Hou Koers
- 15 / 16 - Jamboree-on-the-Air
- 20 - Radio Amateur Examination**
- 22 - Spring QRP Sprint**
- 27 to 29 – The Richmond Book Festival www.richmondnc.co.za
- 29 / 30 - CQ WW DX Phone Contest





Scout hall and involve the Guides and Scouts with the erection of antennas for instance. Also demonstrate the different modes for instance CW, SSB and possibly digital modes. The effort will probably be not more than that during club meetings en the young people will appreciate it and will have a better understanding of amateur radio.

Please ensure that your station is registered as an educational station with the SARL office as the unlicensed youngsters may then also operate the equipment on the amateur bands.

The following are web addresses where more information regarding the JOTA or JOTI events maybe obtained:

- a) www.scout.org - Scout website for international scouting info.
- b) www.jota.sub.cc - JOTA information only.
- c) www.joti.org - JOTI information only.

ADIF Search Widget Available

Marek, DH9SB, states, "Because more and more DXpeditions use Wordpress, I've written a widget for Word Press that can do a search for call signs in the log/s. It supports more than one call sign and references. And of course, the log can be uploaded as ADIF to different logbooks." More information is available at <http://dh9sb.dx-info.de/2011/wordpress-adif-search-widget>

VP8ORK South Orkney Island DVD Now Available

It has been announced that the DVD of the 2011 VP8ORK MicroLite Penguins DXpedition to South Orkney Islands by well-known DXpedition video photographer James Brooks, 9V1YC, is now available for 25.00 USDs and shipping will begin on 21 September. To order yours today, go to <http://www.dxvideos.com/vp8orkvideo.htm>

DX Magazine Most Wanted Survey

The DX Magazine's annual Most Wanted Survey is being conducted from until 15 October. The survey form is available at www.dxpib.com/dx_survey2011.html (please note that it is not a complete list of all DXCC Entities: if you need something that is not listed, simply use the "Additions or Comments" space at the end of the form). The STOR confirmations are not expected to be available before the deadline for the new Entity to be included in this survey, so South Sudan is not on the form this time.

The overall results will be published in the January/February 2012 issue of The DX Magazine, and the world-wide results will be posted to the web site around 15 January 2012 as well. The breakdown by mode/Low Bands will be published in the March/April 2012 issue of the magazine.

Heathkit's Amateur Radio Plans Taking Shape

Heathkit Educational Systems hopes to re-enter the Amateur Radio market by the end of 2011. Back in August, Heathkit announced <http://www.arrl.org/news/heathkit-returns-to-the-kit-business> its return to the kit business and actively solicited suggestions. The response from Amateur Radio operators convinced Heathkit to develop several Amateur Radio products.

"When we made the announcement on our web page about a month ago, we had no intention of entering the Amateur Radio kit market," Ernie Wake, Heathkit's Director of Sales and Marketing, told the ARRL. "The response was really overwhelming, exciting and scary. The scary part is that the brand name has so much loyalty that we don't want to disappoint the people who have such fond memories."





Wake said that Heathkit is presently working on developing a few Amateur Radio kits. "Initially, the kit line will include a few 'accessories,' like kits for a Dual Watt Meter, Antenna Tuners and the Cantenna," he explained. "Once we are a little more 'settled,' I think we will develop a QRP receiver. We will not rush to market just to get there. We want to develop a line of kits in the tradition of Heathkit. I am hoping to have one or two kits by the end-of-the-year."

African DX

Senegal, 6V. Jeff, N1SNB, will be active as 6V7V from La Somone during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (26 and 27 November) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Jeff is expected to be there between 23 and 29 November. Outside the contest, Jeff informs that activity will be on 160 and 80 metres using CW and SSB. QSL via N1SNB.

Lesotho, 7P. Arnold, WB6OJB, and Frosty, K5LBU, will once again be active as 7P8JK and 7P8CF, respectively, between 14 and 22 September. Last time Arnold was on the HF bands, 40 - 10 metres using mostly SSB with some CW. Frosty will probably be mainly on PSK31 and as well as some RTTY. QSL via their home call signs.

Malawi, 7Q. Ely, IN3VZE, will once again be active as 7Q7CE from the southwest shore of Lake Malawi in Resort Club Makokola www.clubmak.com and from the shack of his friend Harry, 7Q7HB, between 16 September and 3 October. Activity will be holiday style on 80 - 10 metres using SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home call sign, by the Bureau or direct.

Somalia, T5. Murat, TA1AMC, is now active as T5/TA1AMC from Mogadishu for the next three months. Activity will be limited to his spare time because he is a member of the "Turkish Ministry of Health's National Medical Rescue Team" (UMKE). Activity has been mainly on 15 metres SSB (watch 21 260 kHz). QSL via the TRAC Bureau (Digital QSOs ONLY eQSL.CC).

Central African Republic, TL. Rudi, DK7PE, will be active as TLOCW from Bangui, CAR, on a "one-man DXpedition" between 26 October and 3 November. He states that CAR is not a real tourist place and the accommodation is very expensive (see details on QRZ.com). Activity will have an emphasis on 160 and 80 meters CW. QSL via DK7PE. For more details and updates, visit Rudi's Web page at <http://www.rooody.de>

Ethiopia, ET. Peter, ET3BN, has been active on 12 metres using CW around 13:00 to 14:30 UTC. QSL direct to home call.

The Gambia, C5. After last year's successful expedition to Banjul, The Gambia, during which the Czech-Slovak team participated in the CQ WW CW contest to gain the world trophy in the Multi-Multi category, Richard, OK8WW/OM2TW, and Jiri, OK1RI, have organised another contest DXpedition to this country. A group of 12 ops from OK and OM will operate under the call sign C50C from 21 October until 1 November and from 20 November until 29 November 2011. Their main aim is to participate in both parts of the CQ WW Contest (SSB and CW) under the call sign C5A. Plans are to be active on the HF bands 160 - 10 m. Operators will be Richard, OK8WW/OM2TW, Jiri, OK1RI, Joe, OM5AW, Jiri, OK1DO, Norbert, OM6NM, Jan, OM2IB, Lada, OK1DIX, Petr, OK1FFU, Zdenek, OK1DSZ, Vlada, OK1NU, David, OK1RK, and Vitek, OK5MM. QSL via Brani, OM2FY, direct or bureau. Website www.om0c.com/





Ivory Coast, TU. Look for DXpedition call sign TU2T to be active from Azuretti, Grand-Bassam, Region du Sud-Comoé, Ivory Coast (WW Loc. IJ85CE), between 27 October and 11 November 2011. Activity on 160 - 6 metres, using all modes as possible. The pilot station will be Art, IK7JWY. Operators include Alfeo, I1HJT, Silvano, I2YSB, Vinicio, IK2CIO, Angelo, IK2CKR, Marcello, IK2DIA, Stefano, IK2HKT, and Gino, IK2RZP.

A real time online log will be available during the DXpedition. In addition, a forum has been set up at www.hamradioweb.com/. QSL via direct to I2YSB, QSL via the bureau to IK2CIO. Full information, updates and the online forum can be found on their website at www.i2ysb.com/

African Islands

Special Event Stations

Slovenia, S5. The special event station S550ACP celebrates 50 years of Amateur Radio in Brezice from 1 September until 30 November. QSL via S59ACP, eQSL and LoTW. For more information, check <http://s59acp.org>

Serbia, YU. The four special event stations YT16ARDF, YU16ARDF, YT16IARU, and YU16IARU are activated until 20 September 2012 to support the 16th IARU World Amateur Radio Direction Finding Championships (10 to 15 September 2012). More information can be found at <http://www.ardf2012.org>

Poland, HP36. Look for special event station HF36POL to be on air to celebrate the departure of the "36th Polish Antarctic Expedition to the ARCTOWSKI Station in the Antarctica. QSL via SP9YI, by the Bureau or direct. The Expedition leaves from Gdynia onboard the "MS Polar Pioneer" and is expected to reach Admiralty Bay on King George Island around 6 November. Details about the base can be found at <http://www.arctowski.pl/index.php?p=2>

A special "ARCTOWSKI Antarctic Award" is available thanks to the Polish Academy of Sciences, Department of Antarctic Biology in Warsaw, and the Polish Amateur Radio Union.

The Netherlands, PG540. Look for special event stations PG540BUFFALO or PG540BUFFALO/J to be active between 10 October and 3 November. Activity is to celebrate the friendship between the radio amateur group "Project Groep .540" in Kennemerland, and "The Buffalo's" the Scouting Group in Zandvoort. The bands/modes of activity were not provided. QSL contacts with PG540BUFFALO via the QSL Manager PA2REH, direct or by the Dutch QSL Bureau (region R50). QSL the JOTA contacts with PG540BUFFALO/J via the QSL Manager PA0SNY, direct or by the Dutch QSL Bureau (region R20). See QRZ.com for more details.

France, TM33. Look for special event station TM33LDX to be active between now and 24 September. Activity is to celebrate the 33rd meeting of the Clipperton DX Club, which is being held at Noirmoutier (dep 85) this year between 23 and 24 September. QSL via F5CWU. The log will be uploaded to LoTW. For more details about the Clipperton DX Club, see <http://www.cdx.org>

History This Week

A look back at events that made history this week - compiled by the Summerland Amateur Radio Club of Lismore, NSW and Dennis, ZS4BS. The week starting Monday 12 September 2011.





122 - Building begins on Hadrian's Wall

1662 - Flamsteed sees a solar eclipse, first known astronomical observation

1795 - British soldiers under command of Gen J.H. Craig take control of the Cape after an easy victory the previous month at Muizenburg

1812 - Napoleon reaches Moscow during his ill-fated campaign in Russia

1830 - William Huskisson of England is the first person to be run-over by a railroad train

1886 - George K Anderson of Memphis, Tennessee patents typewriter ribbon

1892 - The first train from Cape Town steams into Johannesburg station

1900 - Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands makes the ship Gelderland available for Pres Paul Kruger for his journey to Europe

1904 - Wilbur Wright makes his first airplane flight

1905 - Hyman Lieberman, mayor of Cape Town opens the Great Synagogue in the Gardens

1906 - First airplane flight in Europe

1908 - Thomas Selfridge becomes the first fatality of powered flight

1910 - The first House of Assembly elections take place, just 3 months after the creation of the Union of South Africa

1914 - Gen Koos de la Rey is shot in the back at a roadblock at Langlaagte, Johannesburg. The police were search for the Foster gang

2001 - 9/11 Twin Towers destruction and atrocities

Word to the Wise

Read the rules BEFORE the contest, running though them maybe! How much off time and how long are the breaks? Where are the power limits set? Can single-ops use the spotting networks? Do not embarrass yourself by having to backtrack after the contest, submitting in a category you did not know you had entered!

Contest Calendar

This week's contests compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 12 to 19 September 2011.

NAQCC-EU Monthly Sprint

18:00 - 20:00 UTC 12 September

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: Single Op

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, country, NAQCC no or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member

Multipliers: Each country in Europe; First country in each continent worked other than Europe

Key Type Mult: 2 x if straight key, 1.5 x if bug, 1 x if other

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x key type mult

Submit logs by: 20:00 UTC 15 September 2011

E-mail logs to: submitlog@naqcc-eu.org

Upload log at:

<http://www.naqcc-eu.org/autologger/>

Mail logs to: M Ireland, MW3YMY, Pen-y-Gadlas, Ffordd Bryniau, Meliden, Prestatyn, Denbighshire, LL19 8RD, UK

Find rules at:

<http://naqcc-eu.org/SprintHelp/SprintRules.pdf>

CWops Mini-CWT Test

13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 14 September and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 15 September

Mode: CW





Bands: 80, 40, 20 m
 Classes: Single Op QRP, low or high
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;
 QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: Member: Name and member no.;
 non-Member: Name, state, province or country
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: Each call once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 17 September
 2011
 Post log summary at:
<http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>

Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<http://www.cwops.org/onair.html>

RSGB 80 m Club Sprint, SSB
 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 14 September
 Mode: SSB
 Bands: 80 m Only
 Classes: 100 W; 10 W
 Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO
 Multipliers: (none)
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points
 Submit logs by: 21 September 2011

Upload log at:
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2011/rsprint.shtml>

NCCC Sprint Ladder
 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 16 September
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m
 Classes: Single Op
 Max power: 100 watts
 Exchange: (see rules)
 Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO;
 non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA
 station

Multipliers: Each US state (including KL7 and
 KH6) once per band; Each VE province once
 per band; Each North American country (except
 W/VE) once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults

Submit logs by: 18 September 2011

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.hornucopia.com/3830score/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.nccsprint.com/rules.html>

AGB NEMIGA Contest

21:00 - 24:00 UTC 16 September

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 80 m Only

Classes: Single Op CW, SSB or mixed; Single
 Op Mixed QRP; Multi-Op; SWL

Exchange: AGB Member: RST, QSO no and
 member no; non-Member: RST and QSO no

Work stations: Once per mode per 15-minute
 period (see rules)

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same continent;
 3 points per QSO with different continent;
 5 points per QSO with AGB member

Multipliers: Each AGB member once; Each
 DXCC/WAE country once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
 points x total mults

Submit logs by: 16 October 2011

E-mail logs to: eu1eu@mail.ru

Mail logs to: Igor "Harry" Getmann, EU1EU,
 PO Box 143, Minsk 220005, Belarus

Find rules at:

http://www.ev5agb.com/contest/agb_nemiga.htm

Connecticut QSO Party

00:00 - 23:59 UTC 17 September

Mode: CW, SSB, Digital

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op QRP, low or high; Multi-
 Single; Multi-Multi; Mobile Single Op QRP,
 low or high; Mobile Multi-Single





Max power: HP: >150 watts; LP: 150 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: CT: RS(T) and county; non-CT: RS(T), state, province or country
 Work stations: Once per mode per band per county
 QSO Points: 1 points per SSB QSO; 2 points per CW QSO; 2 points per Digital QSO
 Bonus: 100 points for working all 8 CT Counties
 Multipliers: CT Stations: States, VE provinces, DXCC countries once; non-CT Stations: CT counties once
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points
 Submit logs by: 17 October 2011
 Upload log at:
<http://www.ctqp.org/ContestForm.html>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://www.ctqp.org/Rules.html>

SARL VHF/UHF Analogue/Digital Contest
 10:00 UTC 17 September to 10:00 UTC 18 September
 Mode: Analogue (CW/SSB/FM), Digital
 Bands: 50 MHz, 70 MHz, 144 MHz, 432 MHz, 1296 MHz
 Classes: Base - unlimited, analogue, digital; Field - unlimited, analogue, digital; Club/Multi-Op - unlimited, analogue, digital; Rover - unlimited, analogue, digital; 4-Hour Limited - unlimited, analogue, digital
 Exchange: RS(T) and 6-character grid locator
 Work stations: Once per band
 Score Calculation: (see rules)
 Submit logs by: 3 October 2011
 E-mail logs to: contest@sarl.org.za
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
http://www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/SARL_2011_Contest%20Manual_issue_9.pdf

Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW
 12:00 UTC 17 September to 12:00 UTC 18 September
 Mode: CW
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op Single Xmtr QRP, low or high; Single Op Single Xmtr Assisted; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Single; Multi-Multi
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts
 Exchange: RST and serial no
 Work stations: Once per band
 QSO Points: Scandinavian: 2 points per QSO with EU; Scandinavian: 3 points per QSO with non-EU; EU: 1 point per QSO with Scandinavian station; non-EU: 1 point per QSO with Scandinavian station on 20, 15, 10 m; non-EU: 3 points per QSO with Scandinavian station on 80, 40 m
 Multipliers: Scandinavian: Each DXCC country once per band; non-Scandinavian: Each Scandinavian call area once per band
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 2 October 2011
 Upload log at:
<http://www.sactest.net/hflogupload.php>
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at: <http://www.sactest.net/>

CIS DX QPSK63 Contest
 12:00 UTC 17 September to 12:00 UTC 18 September
 Mode: QPSK63
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m
 Classes: Single Op high or low; MOST
 Max power: HP: 100 watts; LP: 10 watts
 Exchange: RSQ and DXDA number
 QSO Points: (see rules)
 Multipliers: Each DXDA area once
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults
 Submit logs by: 3 October 2011
 E-mail logs to: ut7fp@srars.org
 Mail logs to: (none)
 Find rules at:
<http://www.cisdx.srars.org/cisdx.pdf>

South Carolina QSO Party
 13:00 UTC 17 September to 21:00 UTC 18 September
 Mode: CW, Phone, Digital
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, VHF/UHF
 Classes: SC Fixed; SC Mobile; Out of State





Exchange: SC: serial no and county; non-SC: Serial no, state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band per mode per county

QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO; 2 points per CW QSO; 3 points per digital QSO

Bonus: 300 pts for first contact with N2ZZ or W4CAE

Multipliers: each SC County once

Power: <5 W X 5, 5 - 150 W X 2, >150 W X 1

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x county mults x power mult) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 19 October 2011

E-mail logs to: scqp@w4cae.com

Mail logs to: CARC - SC QP Entry, PO Box 595, Columbia, SC 29202-0595, USA

Find rules at:

<http://www.w4cae.com/scqp/scqsoweb.html>

QRP Afield: 15:00 UTC 17 September to 03:00 UTC 18 September

Mode: All

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: (none)

Exchange: RS(T), state, province or country and power or NE QRP no

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO if using >5 W and permanent location; 2 points per QSO if using >5 W and field/mobile location; 5 points per QSO if QRP and permanent location; 10 points per QSO if QRP and field/mobile location

Multipliers: Each state, province, country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 20 October 2011

E-mail logs to: k1cl@arrl.net

Mail logs to: Chuck Ludinsky, K1CL, 6 Pracing Rd., Chelmsford, MA 01824-1922, USA

Find rules at:

<http://newenglandgrp.org/afield>

Feld Hell Sprint: 16:00 - 18:00 UTC 17 September

Mode: Feld Hell

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: (none)

Max power: Standard: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: (see rules)

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: (see rules)

Bonus Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: (see rules)

Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 1 October 2011

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Home/contests>

Washington State Salmon Run: 16:00 UTC 17 September to 07:00 UTC 18 September and 16:00 - 24:00 UTC 18 September

Mode: CW, SSB, Digital

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m

Classes: Single Op - CW, SSB, digital or mixed QRP, low or high

Multi-Single (WA/Non-WA); WA Club Single Transmitter; WA Club Two Transmitters; WA Single Op Mobile - CW, SSB, digital or mixed; WA Multi-Op Mobile; WA Single Op Roving - CW, SSB, digital or mixed; WA Multi-Op Roving; WA Single Op Single Xmtr County DXped - CW, SSB, digital or mixed; WA Multi-Op Single Xmtr County DXped; WA Multi-Op Two Xmtr County DXped; Unlimited (see rules)

Exchange: WA: RS(T) and county; non-WA: RS(T), state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band per mode per county

QSO Points: 2 points per phone QSO; 4 points per CW or digital QSOs

Bonus: 500 points per QSO with W7DX once per mode (max of 1 500 points)

Multipliers: WA: Each WA county, state, province, DXCC entity once; non-WA: Each WA county once

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 31 October 2011





E-mail logs to: salmonrun@wwdxc.org

Mail logs to: Western Washington DX Club,
PO Box 395, Mercer Island, WA 98040, USA
Find rules at:

<http://www.wwdxc.org/files/SalmonRun/SR%20Rules%202023%20August%202009.pdf>

North American Sprint, SSB
00:00 - 04:00 UTC 18 September

Mode: SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: Single Op QRP, low or high

Max operating hours: 4 hours

Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts;
QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no, your name and your state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO;
non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station

Multipliers: Each US state (including KL7) once; Each VE province once; Each North American country (except W/VE) once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 24 September 2011

E-mail logs to: (see rules, web upload preferred)

Upload log at:

<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintlogsubmit.php>

Mail logs to: Jim Stevens, K4MA, 6609 Vardon Ct., Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526, USA

Find rules at:

<http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.php>

BARTG Sprint 75

17:00 - 21:00 UTC 18 September

Mode: 75 Baud RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op Expert; Single Op All Band

Exchange: Serial no

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: DXCC countries once regardless of band; JA, W, VE and VK areas once regardless of band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x continents

Submit logs by: 1 November 2011

E-mail logs to: logs@bartg.org.uk

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.bartg.org.uk/documents/Contests/sprint75/BARTG%20Sprint%2075%20Rules%20September.pdf>

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

01:00 - 03:00 UTC 19 September

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Band; All Band

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and member no or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with member on different continent

Multipliers: Each state, province or country once

Multiply mults by 2 if >50 members worked

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 25 September 2011

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at:

<http://www.fpqrp.org/pigrun/autolog.php>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.fpqrp.org/pigrun/>

Next Week's Contests

NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint, 00:30 - 02:30 UTC 22 September

NCCC Sprint Ladder, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 23 September

SARL Heritage Day Contest 14:00 to 17:00 UTC 24 September

CQ Worldwide DX Contest, RTTY, 00:00 UTC 24 September to 24:00 UTC 25 September





Texas QSO Party, 14:00 UTC 24 September to 02:00 UTC 25 September and 14:00 - 20:00 UTC 25 September

SARL 80 m Club Contest, digital, 17:30 to 18:30 UTC 28 September

DX Code of Conduct

I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.

I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.

I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.

I will not interfere with the DX station or anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.

I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.

I will always send my full call sign.

I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.

I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.

I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.

I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.

When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.

I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.

I will respect my fellow radio amateurs and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

<http://www.dx-code.org/publications.htm>

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SA Radio League News Bulletins

SARL News

Time (UTC / CAT)	Freq (kHz)		Target Area	Language
06:15 / 08:15 *	7 066 / 7 098	From Pretoria /	Southern Africa	Afrikaans
06:30 / 08:30 *	7 066 / 7 098	Port Elizabeth	Southern Africa	English
Various 2 metre and 70 cm repeaters and Echolink country wide				

Amateur Radio Today

Time (UTC / CAT)	Freq (kHz)		Target Area	Language
08:00 - 09:00 /	7 082	From Durban	Southern Africa	English
10:00 - 11:00 * Various 2 metre and 70 cm repeaters and Echolink country wide				

Amateur Radio Today shortwave broadcast information.

Time (UTC / CAT)	Freq (kHz)	Tx kW	Target Area	Language
08:00 - 09:00 /	7 205	100	Southern Africa	English





10:00 - 11:00 *

17 570

250

East Africa

English

16:30 - 17:30 /

3 230

100

Southern Africa

English

18:30 - 19:30 **

* Sunday ** Monday

